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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1423

Introduced by Assembly Member Bogh

February 22, 2005

An act to amend Section 701 of, and to ~~add Section 701.5 to~~ *repeal and add Section 701.5 of*, the Public Resources Code, relating to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1423, as amended, Bogh. Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Under existing law, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the Resources Agency is responsible for, among other things, providing fire protection, fire prevention, forest and range protection, and enhancement implements and apparatus as necessary.

This bill would change the name of the department, on and after January 1, 2007, to the California Department of Fire and Forestry, and permit reference to the department, where appropriate, as CAL-FIRE. The bill would also prohibit any supplies, forms, insignia, signs, or logos from being destroyed or changed as a result of the name change and would require that they continue to be used until exhausted or unserviceable.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 701 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

701. (a) There is in the Resources Agency the California Department of Fire and Forestry, which is under the control of an executive officer known as the Director of the California Department of Fire and Forestry. The director is appointed by the Governor and holds office at the pleasure of the Governor. The appointment of the director is subject to confirmation by the Senate at the next regular or special session of the Legislature, and the refusal or failure of the Senate to confirm the appointment shall create a vacancy in the office. The director shall receive an annual salary as provided by Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 11550) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(b) There shall be one Deputy Director of the California Department of Fire and Forestry appointed by the director who shall be exempt from civil service.

(c) There shall be one Deputy Director of the California Department of Fire and Forestry appointed by the director in accordance with the State Civil Service Act who shall be a registered professional forester.

(d) The deputy directors shall have duties as assigned, from time to time, by the director, and they shall be responsible to the director for the performance of those duties.

SEC. 2. Section 701.5 of the Public Resources Code is repealed.

~~701.5. Notwithstanding Section 701, Section 12805 of the Government Code, or any other provision of law, on and after January 1, 1987, the Department of Forestry shall be the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.~~

~~On and after that date, any reference to the Department of Forestry is deemed to be to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and any reference to the Director of Forestry is deemed to be to the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection.~~

~~No existing supplies, forms, insignias, signs, or logos shall be destroyed or changed as a result of this name change, and they shall continue to be used until exhausted or unserviceable.~~

~~SEC. 2.~~

SEC. 3. Section 701.5 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

701.5. (a) Notwithstanding Section 12805 of the Government Code, or any other provision of law, on and after January 1, 2007, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection shall be the California Department of Fire and Forestry and may be referred to, where appropriate, as CAL-FIRE.

(b) On and after January 1, 2007, any reference to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection is deemed to be to the California Department of Fire and Forestry and any reference to the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection is deemed to be to the Director of the California Department of Fire and Forestry.

(c) No existing supplies, forms, insignia, signs, or logos shall be destroyed or changed as a result of this name change, and they shall continue to be used until exhausted or unserviceable.